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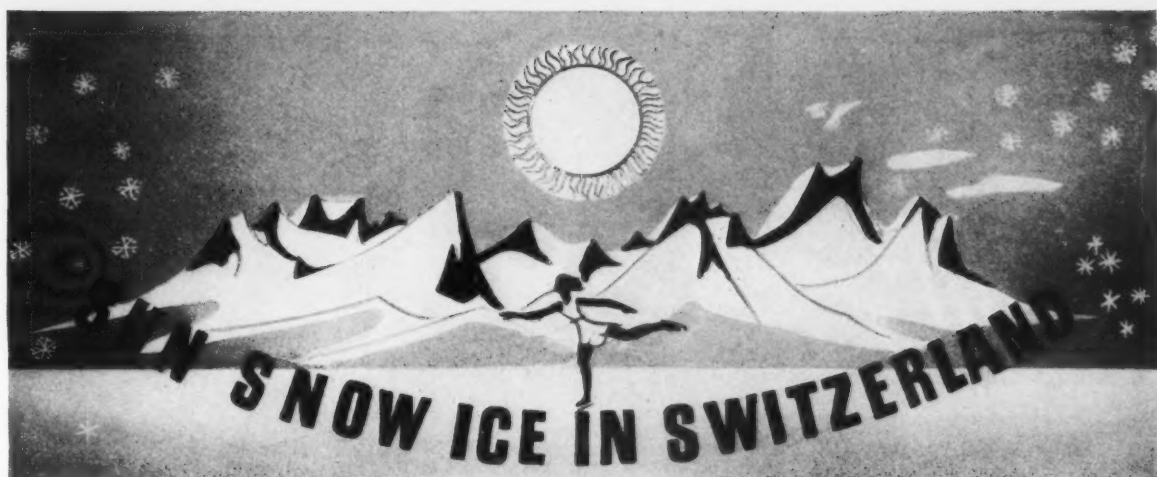
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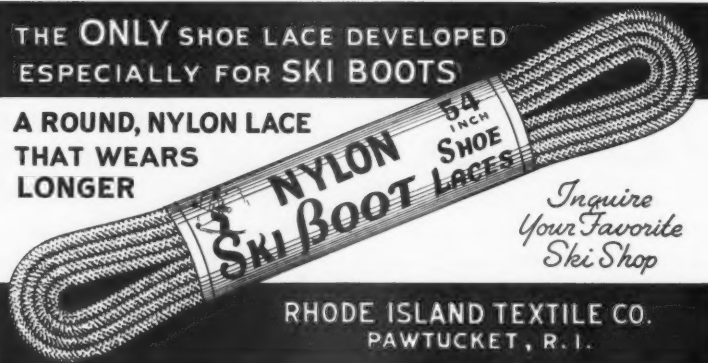
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W. H. DESILVA

Wilmington, New York

**Ugh! Whiteface make SKI Magazine Redface! — Ed.**

**Every . . .**

Sir:

. . . we take exception to your column on "Resorts" where you deplore the lack of snow last winter in contrast with the New England Areas and intimate that we have only good wishes for lots of snow this winter and nothing else. . . . If your publication has as its purpose to propagandize the East only, then we have no reason in the west to read it.

PAUL TIMMERHAUS

Winter Park, Colo.

**Man . . .**

Sir:

My wife and I always used to look forward to getting our Ski News, and now we find we like SKI Magazine even better. We are especially interested in news of the New England section, but we read about western skiing too, — as a matter of fact we read every word of the magazine.

RAY T. CORKUM

Stamford, Conn.

**Is Entitled To . . .**

Sir:

. . . Evidently your editor is strictly a downhill skier, or no skier at all. Top-notch interest in skiing is jumping, that's where your best skiers are. Slalom is a great fun, but downhill skiers lack the thrill, and exhibition of nerve a jumper has. Your magazine has nothing about jumping and without it you don't have a magazine for the advanced (mid-western) skier.

LESTER A. HATLELI

La Crosse, Wisconsin

**His Own Opinion**

Sir:

This is a short note of approval of your first two issues of "The Skiers National Magazine". I am sure that your magazine is a great step toward helping everyone across the country get acquainted with each section and also with each other.

JOHN L. THOMAS, JR.

San Diego, Calif.

**"This is My Own, My Native Land!" — Ed.**

**Mush!**

Sir:

Kindly mail my copies of SKI Magazine "Air Mail" as the ordinary mail will not reach me for a month. I have skied through Washington, Oregon and Idaho during the past ten years and was a bosom pal of Sigurd

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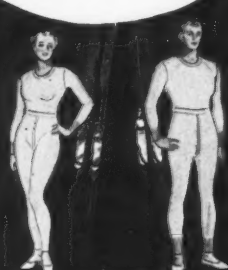
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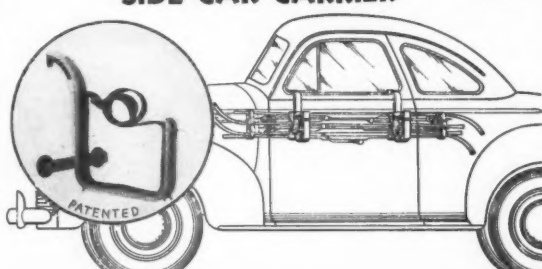
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VINCENT J. BROZE

Anchorage, Alaska

## Bottoms Up

Sir:

It's an old adage that man thinks better on his feet than sitting down. It's a pity that those of the Arlberg School are not familiar with this — but perhaps with the help of a few good articles on the French technique you can get them up off their bottoms and skiing with some of the grace of Allais enthusiasts.

DOOLEY MURPHY

Toronto, Canada

**"One Man's meat — another Man's poison." — Ed.**

## Super Colossal

Sir:

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Springfield College  
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G. CHANDLER CLAPP

Deerfield, Mass.

## We ...

Sir:

A few hours ago we saw our first copy of SKI Magazine ... congratulations are due all hands. Sincere wishes to you for continued success in this endeavor.

LESLIE PAFFRATH, DIRECTOR  
N. H. Information Bureau

New York City

## Like ...

Sir:

Just wanted to get a note off to you to say that we here at the office think the first issue is excellent. The TIME — style departmentalizing with really newsy fillers, builds up to a very, very attractive and readable format.

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Boston, Mass.

Taks Micka, Dr. Cederström. — Ed.

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Sir:

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DAN H. SULLIVAN

Denver, Colorado

### Easily Found

Sir:

Three cheers for the new SKI Magazine. Your departmentalizing idea was excellent. It's wonderful to know what is in the magazine and where to find it without wandering through the pages on a hunting trip.

All my friends are very much in favor of your "Time Magazine" technique of editorial writing and the captioning of your pictures. The Collegiate Section is receiving much of our attention and we hope to see more and more of it. Good luck to you and all the staff. . . .

ROBERT B. THOMSON

Boston, Mass.

### Forceful Gentlemen

Sir:

I have just finished the excellent article, International Racing Spews Discord, in the first issue of SKI. I am sure that many skiers will deeply appreciate the fact that someone like James Laughlin has written an honest story of international sport, and behavior of nations in athletic competition. Before coming to the United States in 1936, I competed in many international skiing, rowing, and athletic meets. Even then we saw signs of a strong nationalistic feeling, but nothing like that of the present.

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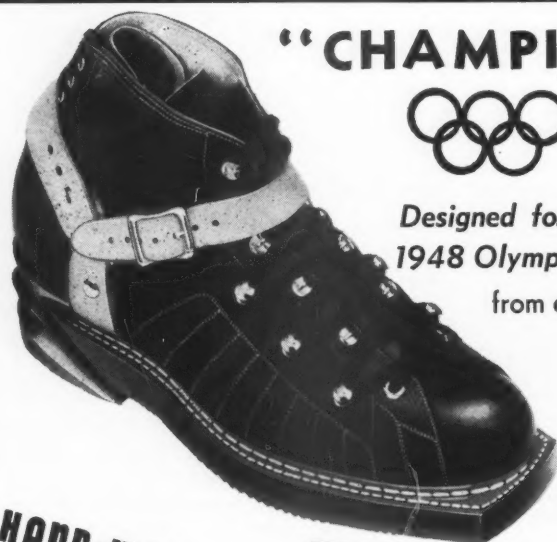


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### Dear Ski Readers

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Business Manager Gertrude Choukas is, however, no defenseless damsel whom the rest of the staff can beat down because she refuses to see the light.

She has her reasons for being "against" and defends her case admirably. It isn't that she hasn't been exposed, it just didn't take.

As the first full time secretary the Dartmouth Outing Club ever hired, her first order was to equip herself with skis, boots, and the latest fashions of 1930 so she could acquire the proper background for her position.

"It was shortly after gentlemen gave up assisting ladies to their feet every time they fell in the snow," says Gertrude, "and the DOC was forced to teach me the language of the skiers in a more humane manner thereafter."

For one who believes the best athletic effort is to be a spectator, Gertrude has had little luck escaping the sports world. For a time she was a research assistant in paleontology, but the reprieve was short lived.

Her son Mike turned out to be a three-sports star in college and this, plus the fact that husband Professor Michael Choukas has always been an ardent sports follower, preordained a losing fight.

If bridge is properly qualified as a sport, Gertrude is a pro. If not, she is strictly a non-athlete suffering a constant exposure to ski talk and doing her darndest to keep up to an organization that has grown from a staff of four to 75 so fast that the business manager has taken to chewing aspirin tablets for sustenance.

While we're in the mood for confessions, we might as well admit the jumping fans hit us in a highly vulnerable spot. Like thousands of other devotees of skiing, nobody on the staff admits having made any planned leaps off a jump, although it is rumored around the office Bill Eldred fell off the lip of a jump once — all quite by accident. Anyhow Red Barth, newly elected President of the NSA has promised to become ex-officio editor of the jumping copy, ski jumping that is.

Which means the staff can take its jumping from the grandstand without making the supreme sacrifice for the improvement of the magazine.

Miss Katharine Wahlgren of Ogden, Utah, contributes a new "Foxhound" technique to skiers in this issue. It may not be a way of skiing to end all other methods, but it is a sure shot to end swishing poles or crowded slopes. TECHNIQUE should be required reading for some of our very best friends.

*The Staff*

## SKI-SCOPE

## René Ravoire Replies

Before a separate mailing department becomes necessary to handle the correspondence resulting from James Laughlin's INSIDE REPORT, "International Racing Spews Discord" printed in the November 1 issue, SKI Magazine hastens to print the other side of the argument on French nationalism at the Olympics.

René Ravoire, who is certainly qualified to uphold his side of the discussion, has these words to say on the subject:

"Mr. James Laughlin's vitriolic article in the first issue of SKI Magazine arouses everyone aware of the facts he presents. But it might mislead the majority who do not know the real facts or have no way of judging Mr. Laughlin's erroneous statements. I feel that I have to straighten them out.

"1. The French team is *not* trained the year around at the government's expense. The team has two periods of training — 15 days in October for physical conditioning in the College de Joinville which is, like all the French schools, a government school for training teachers in physical education; and another period of 15 days early in December, usually in Val d' Isere, where they train with the captain of the team, previously Emile Allais, presently James Couttet. They stay in the hotel rented every winter by the National Ski School, a government school for the training of ski teachers. These expenses, less than 50 cents a day, are paid by the French Federation of Skiing, which is the organization comparable to the National Ski Association and gets its money from the clubs.

*The Hard Life:* "Besides these periods and the days of competition the boys of the team go to their usual occupations (mainly farming).

"The French government has other things to worry about and does not have money enough to spend it for skiing.

"2. Knowing individually all the boys on the team, I can assure that the 'win or die' is not at all their common spirit. This sort of fanaticism is certainly the opposite of all I know of the French character — especially when it concerns mountaineers.

"These boys have been competing for many years with other European teams, especially the Swiss, with whom they share their victories. They have won most of the international races for the past 11 years. Couttet was world champion at the age of 17.

"The Olympics were an old battle for them. To hold the French team or the Directors of the Federation of Skiing responsible for the bad spirit of the games because of national fanaticism is PURE BUNK.

*No Accident:* "3. Everybody who knows



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PAUL GILBREATH  
*Deep Powder, Pure Drama*

agrees that the French *do* have a different technique of skiing. It is a matter of fact that the racers running down a different course at 50 or 60 miles an hour look very much alike if only because of their strong will to hang on. But when the same skiers win almost consistently and some by such a margin as four seconds, it must be for some reason of technique and certainly not because of the special attention of Mr. Schuman, or whoever is running the government on the day of the race, or for the determined desire of attracting American dollars into France.

"The skier who is trained in this technique looks different because he uses the co-ordination of motions which are different. This has been noticed by everyone able to witness some performances.

"4. The picture of an 'invasion' of French instructors is false.

*One-Man-Multitude:* "There are but two qualified French teachers in the U.S.A. We came not more than 22 months ago at our own will and expense with the

desire to establish in this country. I was the only one to teach the French technique in America last year at Woodstock, Vt. I feel deeply flattered that I could give someone the impression of being a multitude. I did not notice any 'stream of propaganda.'

"5. The spirit of the Games was already badly damaged with the bitter quarrel over the hockey teams before any ski team arrived in Switzerland.

"But I think the real causes should be found somewhere else.

"The present spirit of the people of Europe is made of fear, hunger, and uncertainty of the future. This, following years of war, has affected people's minds badly. Under such conditions the noble battles of the sport do not have the serenity and self-detachment that should surround them."

Leave us hope we can now get on to the future.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!



## Top Competitors Must Train In West

By WOLFGANG LERT

Here it is winter again, and the hills resound to the happy yodeling of the skiers, the gay clatter of steel edges on hard-packed snow or shinbone, the brisk thud of body meeting body. Chacun à son goût — that is the skiers' motto, and it means that nobody will hold back those who insist on contorting themselves into strange shapes at the behest of a ski teacher, or those who pay good money for

racing was — next to fighting, drinking, gambling, and women — the main sport of California's gold miners some 20 years before the first organized competition in Scandinavia took place. Nor were these early California ski races minor events. The entire population of certain "Lost Sierra" regions would congregate on race days at the carefully measured, steep, straight courses; large sums of money or gold dust were bet or offered as prizes; and tremendous speeds — ranging to better

1937-38, and with it one of the first really representative East-West meets. To newly-established Sun Valley went the two leading national college ski teams: Dartmouth, the undisputed champions of the East, and the University of Washington, repeated winners of the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Championships. The Dartmouth team was one which even today would strike fear in the hearts of opponents: Dick Durrance, John Litchfield, Howard and Warren Chivers, Dave and Steve Bradley — every man a four-event star, every name destined to go down in the annals of American skiing.

In those days, however, the illustrious names were practically unknown west of the Mississippi and a lot of Westerners were looking forward to the great East-West test with the blithest optimism. Those effete Easterners were in for a great, big surprise — that was the considered conclusion of many, and here is how it was arrived at. Wasn't it true that the Easterners were used to skiing only on narrow, twisting trails? Well, it stood to reason then that, having skied only on such trails, they would be used to nothing but careful skiing, constant checking.

The Western boys, on the other hand, did most of their skiing wide open, on wide-open slopes. The Easterners, suddenly let loose on such open slopes, would obviously be terrified by the unaccustomed speeds; they would just poke along timidly — why, it was hardly fair to pit them against the Washington streaks.

**The Surprise:** A beautiful argument, it appeared more logical with every glass of glühwein — except that it was based on a slight misconception about Eastern skiing. As every Easterner knows, Eastern racing consisted — and undoubtedly still does — of dropping racers at one-minute intervals into an iced slot at the top of a mountain, then watching when and what emerges at the bottom. Even if the trails were not too narrow to try it, checking would hardly make a difference; on the kind of ice used to pave Eastern trails a christie or snowplow only means that you ski sideways or with your feet wider apart — but at the same speed.

After managing to live through this type of environment, the Dartmouth boys were far from terrified by Western runs. In fact, the conclusion is inescapable: not seeing trees whiz by in solid phalanx on each side, they never even knew how fast they were going. Despite Dick Durrance's being kept out of the races with a sprained ankle, Dartmouth finished 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 in the downhill, 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 in the slalom, and, to rub it in, took all five first places in the cross-country, with the Dartmouth boys cozily inhaling a spot of tea while the unfortunate Washington warriors were still puffing along the mountainsides.

**The Recovery:** It took a slip of a girl to make a start toward reestablishing the reputation of Washington and the West. When Grace Carter of Seattle was married to Al Lindley of Minneapolis, he was



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MID-FLIGHT AT LAKE PLACID  
*Jumping Is Universal*

the chance to plunge themselves down-mountain on a so-called "standard trail" to receive, if lucky, a golden goat, pine cone or penguin as prize.

There are others, however, skiers of a more philosophical bent, who have learned that the most brilliant turns and fastest races are best run on a surface of well-packed mahogany. It is these brass-rail racers — skiing's equivalent of the Sunday morning quarterback — who often fight skiing's most violent battles: Arlberg vs. French; Stiff Ski vs. Limber; and, particularly now at the start of another racing season, Eastern Racers vs. Western. This matter of East vs. West is always most timely *before* the big races are run.

**The Fifth Passion:** When it comes to the antiquity of competitive skiing, the West has it over the East — and, in fact, over the rest of the world — by at least the length of the 12-foot skis formerly in use there. Some people may still labor under the mistaken notion that organized ski racing started in the Scandinavian countries — but not if the California Chamber of Commerce can help it. They are not the ones to let you forget that ski

than 70 miles per hour — were attained by the "snowshoers" shooting down the icy straightaways on their giant 12-foot boards.

But with the end of the gold fever, skiing in the West became almost a lost art, practiced only by a few eccentric old-timers far back in some forgotten pocket in the hills.

The scene now shifts East, for the East was the first part of the United States reached by the worldwide advance of Alpine Ski Technique — and with it, downhill and slalom racing as we know it today. Eastern skiers already had racing trails, lifts of various forms, organized meets of long standing, when the first prophets of the new life reached the West. But Westerners were blessed with huge slopes, terrific snowfalls, long seasons — and soon they were taking full advantage of these blessings.

**The Showdown:** For a while, the plains of the Middle West formed an effective barrier between Eastern and Western racers, and though each region continued to improve on its own, they had not yet measured their strength against each other. Then came the winter of



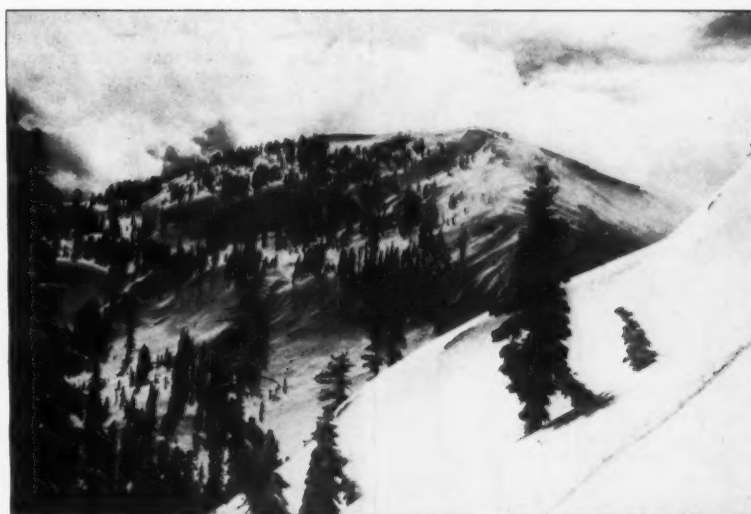
considered quite the skier and racer. Her phenomenal progress, however, soon caused him to remark: "I guess I'll have to take up tatting."

Gracie's victory in slalom and second place in the combined of the ensuing 1938 Nationals demonstrated the wisdom of his choice — and rumor, though unconfirmed, has it that Al, under fictitious names, has done mighty well ever since on the country fair circuit.

Grace Lindley was, however, only *one* of the Made-In-The-West skiers who with growing frequency broke into the ranks of European and Eastern U. S. champions. Nor did the new generation of Western racers — the Blatts, the Engens, the Frasers, the McLeans, Movitzes, Reddishes, Wrens, and dozens of others whose names have become nationally known — have the modesty of keeping their percentage of victories commensurate to the ratio between Western and Eastern skiers in general. On the contrary; as time went on, the East still had the most skiers — but the West most definitely had the most winners.

The reason for this turning of tables was soon divined by the indefatigable brass-rail brigade: Easterners learned to ski faster — but Westerners learned to ski better. In fact, Easterners *had* to learn skiing fast — as a matter of self preservation. On their hard-beaten slopes and concrete trails it didn't make too much difference if you dragged the wrong edge. "Better sloppy than run over by the basher behind you" was a fine rule to increase your chances for the attainment of a ripe old age — but it didn't necessarily increase your chances in topflight competition, where the slightest mistake might put you among the also-rans.

**The Necessity:** Westerners, on the other hand — especially those who did most of their early skiing in deep or wet snow — learned very soon that such a slight matter as leaning on the wrong edge of a ski would almost inevitably lead to a short upside-down view of the course, followed by a lengthy, cold, and dark period of inversion and immersion, which in turn would be followed by any number of doubtlessly very witty but wholly uncalled-for remarks by all bystanders.



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## MT. LINCOLN, UP AND COMING CALIFORNIA AREA

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A few hundred such experiences would serve to pound — and that is exactly the right word for the process — to pound the rules of clean and correct skiing into the prospective racer, very much for his future benefit.

By these methods, then, Western skiers gradually but surely moved in on the top class — and soon not only the natives but even the greatest foreign ski pundits became aware of the trend. Arnold Lunn, the famous British ski writer and race organizer, remarked in the 1942 American Ski Annual that "Mrs. Fraser . . . is a very dashing and finished skier with superb technique, who should do well in a World Championship" — which, in view of the proverbial British capacity for understatement and of the results of last year's Olympics, is a home-run in anybody's prediction-league.

The official classifiers also took notice: when, after the 1942 season, new A and B ratings were given out to women racers by the National Committee, nine of these

ratings went to the West, two to the East. Moreover, the Western girls finally managed to upset a long tradition by soundly trouncing the Easterners in an official East-West competition.

In Barney McLean of Colorado, the West also furnished the outstanding manskier that year. Barney won the National Amateur title at Yosemite, the Harriman Cup at Sun Valley — and, to add insult to injury, he travelled to Vermont, to the Easterners' very own Mt. Mansfield, headed down the infamous "Nosedive" and blithely carried the Eastern Championship trophy off to his native West.

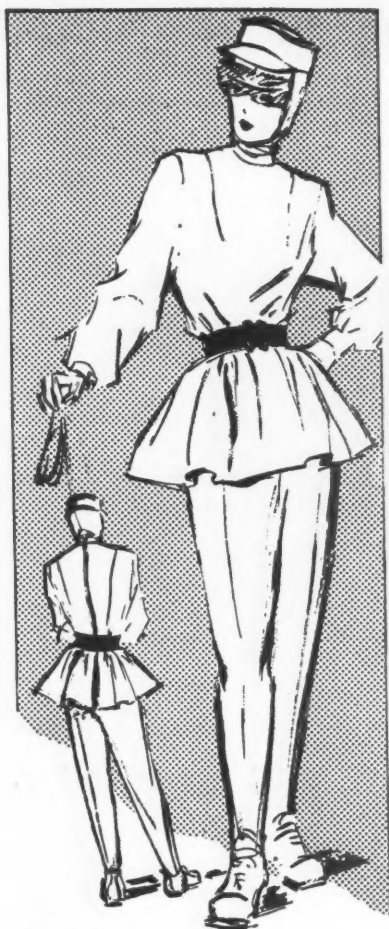
During the next years, many Eastern skiers had an opportunity to become intimately acquainted with the mountains of the West. The Army saw to that. In fact, the Army spared no pains — and the word is used most advisedly — to prove to its charges that Western winters are long, cold and snowy, and that mountains in general, and Western mountains in particular, consist mainly of uphill slopes.



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For the incurably sceptic, the addition of a 90-pound pack always sufficed as a clinching argument that Western slopes are really extremely long, Western mountains extremely high.

One would think that after such experiences, most Mountain Division alumni

of fast transcontinental transportation available, and with the invention of the ski bum, the figures cited above don't really prove what at first glance they seem to prove. They don't prove anything about Western skiers being inherently better just because they were born in the



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*The West Was Upset*

would have made the end of the war an opportunity for abandoning, if not all skiing, at least skiing in the West. Strangely enough, however, many top skiers returned to the Western mountains at the earliest opportunity.

**The Proof:** The tryouts for the American Olympic teams, and the squads finally selected, actually furnished the first truly comprehensive East-West tests and the first definite results. Here they are: Among the women, 5 Westerners, 3 Easterners were placed on the team. Among the men, 1 Easterner was chosen as Cross-Country representative, 2 Westerners and 1 Easterner for the Classic Combined; the Jumping Squad consisted of 1 Easterner, 4 Midwesterners, and only 1 Westerner—but this one Westerner, Gordon Wren, outjumped all his team mates and everybody else except the leading Scandinavians; and of the Downhill-Slalom squad originally selected, 9 were Western, 3 Eastern.

The replacement of Distin, who could not make the trip because of the pressure of work, by Don Amick of Seattle, changed the ratio to 10 to 2—and of those two, George Macomber, having spent the last several winters living and training in the West, could qualify as not much more than a pseudo-Easterner.

This brings us to some very interesting conclusions . . . with so many methods

West or started their skiing there.

They do prove, however, that with today's standards of competition a racer must ski a long and full season if he wants to have any chance at all—and that means the serious Eastern racer must—and does—spend at least the later part of the winter in the West.

Thus the old and honorable distinctions between Eastern and Western skiers are being wiped out—and with them one of the best arguments to help pass the hours. Well, no use crying into spilled beer; there'll always be enough interesting ski problems to talk about to keep one from actually having to go out and ski. Like: Who's better, the Europeans or the Americans? Now, the Olympics really didn't prove a thing; just wait till 1950 when the F.I.S. World Championships come to the United States.

What you've got to remember is what happened in those races that were held after the Olympics.

Longue lanières enroll a horde of enthusiasts in Chile, chiefly because of Emile Allais' sojourn there the last two summers. Since Chileans believe longue lanières best for the French technique, cable bindings seldom show up on the ski hill. Safety bindings rate the same following.

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### Ski Areas Gird For Holiday Crowds

Hotelmen and lift operators are swept up in the final flurry of preparation for holiday-flushed skiers. Timberline Lodge, gracious hostelry on Mt. Hood, Oregon, has disappointed many would-be visitors. The management was forced to turn away a startling total of 19 applications for every available space over the Christmas to New Year's week.

The chair lift and rope tows have operated since late October with early, abundant snows, while the Mt. Hood Aerial Transportation Co. assures the eager public that its new four-mile tram would definitely be operating by the autumn of 1949.

Design of the new lift, installed by John A. Roebling Sons & Co., is adapted from the "sky-hook" used in logging, and may revolutionize uphill transportation of skiers, observers say.

Indicating the increasing use of Oregon winter sports areas, the U. S. Forest Service counted 315,975 persons using the south side of Mt. Hood last season, as against 248,268 during 1946-7.

**Who Do:** One of these mornings the skiminded town of Eugene, Oregon, will wake up to find a development set in one of the most beautiful landscapes in the country. Hoodoo Bowl's open and wooded slopes include all degrees of difficulty and from them mountains like Three-Finger Jack, Mt. Washington, Jefferson and the Sisters are visible.

Two and a half feet of snow in the September storms stopped work on the new 1100-foot-rise chairlift, throwing plans off schedule, but agile-minded outdoorsman Ed Thurston's ingenious system for erecting a lodge should result in shelter, at least, for Hoodooing skiers this season.

He transported a huge two-story army barracks to the site in sections. The reconstructed building was raised on stilts—healthy 24 x 24 timbers. The barracks rooms, lifted high in the air, are partitioned as individual rooms, and in the space underneath Manager Thurston houses dining facilities, lounges and other common rooms.

**No Handsprings:** Meanwhile the Spokane, Washington, area, nominated as one of the most underrated ski towns in the country, goes quietly about its business, turning no handsprings. Mt. Spokane sports one of the few club-built chair lifts and the first double seater "he-she" installation in the country. Several rope tows run on the opposite side of the mountain.

Spokane sporting goods stores, like Blazier's, stock a satisfyingly complete line of ski equipment as good as any to be found anywhere in the country.

#### Wagon To A Starr

Stowe, Vermont, took another step in the development of the Eastern side of Smuggler's Notch by transferring owner-

ship of over 3000 acres of land from Cornelius V. Starr of New York City to the Mt. Mansfield Hotel Co. recently. New stock issued to obtain purchase price is assured of customers by interested individuals and groups in New York and Vermont.

The holdings, in Stowe and Cambridge, Vt., include most of the southern end of the mountain range, including slopes of Spruce Peak and Madonna Mountain. So far, a road has been constructed and ski trails brushed out, but blue prints call for extensive year 'round recreational facilities.

Starr remains a director of the Hotel Company, with I. Munn Boardman, president; Stowe's leading businessman, Gale H. Shaw, vice president; and Sepp Rusehp, ski school head and operator of the Smuggler's Notch T-Bar, general manager.

Down in Stowe Village night life is looking up. Long a town that rolled up the sidewalks at dusk, leaving skiers to their own devices, the Vermont village now proudly displays the new Stowe Center, housing a movie theatre, skating rink and bowling alleys.

Hotels like the Green Mountain Inn, the Lodge At Smuggler's Notch, Logwood and Stroms—to name only a few—offer comfortable-to-swank accommodations, and for purse-pinched skiers, the Round Hearth, which has added a dorm for women, waxing hut and sun deck, provides hearty atmosphere for \$3.75 a person, meals included. Emphasis is on self-service meals, bring-your-own sleeping bag lodgings.

#### Flat But Elated

In spite of the fact that Detroit and vicinity are flatter than flat, the Kandahar Ski Club of the Motor City is alert and active, according to local skier Frosty Bradley. Through the efforts of club president Frank Hevonkoski, supported by a large group of loyal members, the club's 300-acre tract of land has been transformed into a handy ski center only 45 miles from the city.

Work crews toiled spring and summer to groom one expert trail, plus seven for intermediates and three for beginners. The ski shelter was repaired and painted and five tows prepared for snowfall.

Lee Furth and Walter Wilson, former ski troopers, provide instruction, and Dick Klinger, former club president, arranges trips to Michigan resorts when Detroit snow falls.

**Ford Affords Skiing:** The old Edsel Ford property west of Pontiac, Michigan, converted into a ski area for the Pontiac Ski Club, will catch a lot of use this season, says President Si Green. Three heavy duty tows serve six trails for intermediate and expert skiers. One open slope facing south offers a nice Mid-West run with a 160-foot vertical drop.

A January carnival will include four events for boys and girls as well as grown-



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ups. Club leaders expect to double last year's membership of 400, and will regulate the use of sleds and toboggans in the ski area this season.

Special plans of the Pontiac group are to ski out the old year, ski in the new year, ski-joring and bus trips, and information on snow conditions may be secured from Odd "Ski" Larson, who has just opened Detroit's first ski shop, near the court house.

The Northwestern Railroad plans ski specials from the Twin Cities to Mt. Telemark, near Hayward, Wisconsin, and week-end bus service from Superior and Duluth is a possibility.

**Buoyant Boyne:** Not only does the new area at Boyne Mountain, Michigan, boast the only chair lift in the middle West, it also has the largest and most elaborate ski lodge at the foot of its two open slopes and three trails. Two stories high, the rustic lodge contains a restaurant, fireplaces, ski shop, and other necessary facilities in its 40 x 70-foot interior.

### Out Of The Hole

Things, including the mile-long chair lift, are on the up & up at Jackson Hole, Wyoming. A foot and a half snow fall on November 5 started the season with a bang. Teton Pass holds two new tows, rising 800 feet. Ski slopes in the chair lift area are enlarged so that now Jackson can boast the longest, biggest open slope served by a chair lift in the Intermountain Division.

The biggest boast that Jackson can make this year is the presence of pretty brunette Dodie Post, Captain of the U. S. Women's Olympic team last year. One of the first women in the country to lead her own school, she taught for two years at Mt. Rose near Reno, Nevada, and is experienced at teaching pupils of all abilities.

After her summer wrangling dudes with Betty Woolsey, beginners' recalcitrant skis will pose no more of a problem than an ornery pack horse. Dodie prefers a straw hat to the traditional Stetson, but wasn't as green as Paula Kann, who on her first visit to the cow country asked, "Do you ride side-saddle or astray?"

Betty Woolsey, Olympic captain in 1936, again is operating her popular Trail Creek Ranch with the assistance of Katey Starret. Mac Fraser is opening his guest ranch for skiers, too, and an emigrant Easterner, Mary Moss crop of Manchester, N. H., runs a cafe at the top of the lift.

**A Lion Among Men:** Not far from Jackson, close to the northwest boundary of Yellowstone National Park, lies one of the country's finest powder snow areas, under development by Hans Sarbach, formerly instructor at Timberline Lodge.

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but nearby accommodations as well. Local businesses, most of them stockholders, cooperate extremely well, say the Sarbachs, for, with the skier crowds attracted by the half-mile Constam chair lift, they now have prospects of profitable year-round operation.

The lavish new Stage Coach Inn near the area impresses visitors, and the Sarbachs are fond of recounting Ray Miland's favorable reaction to the lodge.

Lion's Head will play host to the Northern Rocky Mountain Downhill and Slalom Championships in February on a rugged Class A downhill run.

Hans heads the ski school, with his brother Fred, who just arrived from Switzerland, and Wally Eagle of Montana as assistants, all hands teaching a compromise of the parallel and Arlberg, approved at the ski instructors' convention at Aspen last spring.



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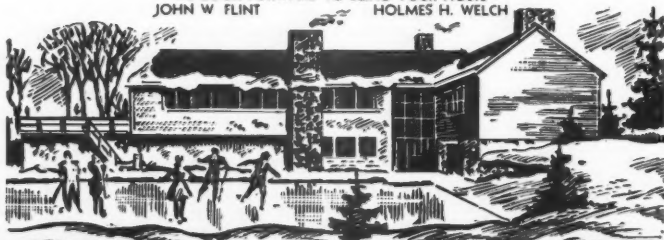
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### Franconia To The Fore

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Certified in the Eastern Division since 1938, Marshall taught three consecutive years with Luggi Foeger at Yosemite National Park, California, two years with Dartmouth College Coach Walter Prager, and one year with Friedl Pfeifer in Aspen, Colorado.

Children on skis interest Marsh. "I especially like to work with them on jumping and slalom," he says, adding, "Lately they have been losing interest in jumping, finding that it's easier to hang onto a rope than walk back up, but I hope to be able to show them that it also can be a lot of fun."

Associated with Fitzgerald in the school are his wife, Lib, who also taught at Aspen; Al Peavy, an expert with children, and Emily Johnson, who ran her own school last year in Franconia.

The Franconia teachers have the Cannon Mountain Aerial Tramway, Constan lift, trails and slopes at their disposal, as well as the T-Bar area of the Mittersill Club.

### Fair, Fat & Forty

After years of pleading and praying, New Hampshire's Belknap Recreational Area will finally get the 40-meter jump which was planned when the area was first opened to the public. The addition gives the area jumps of 10, 20, 40 and 60 meters and experts a chance to practice without using the big 60 all the time to get in shape for important meets.

The transition will not be as great as in the past when it was necessary to go from the 20 to the 60 and results should be evident in more and better jumpers, and keener, closer competition.

Credit for achievement of the long-sought goal goes to the Winnepesaukee Ski Club, which annually sponsors the Eastern Jumping and Cross-Country Championships, and in particular to its president, Ken Boothroyd, and directors Jay Sloan and Bill Trudgeon.

A store-to-store and door-to-door campaign for necessary funds paid off and the managing Belknap County Commissioners have approved the necessary expenditure. Club members, who have already cleared the hill, continue to do the work and are completing the job which they have started.

### Sweet Development

On deck for next season is a giant new development at Mt. Lincoln Basin in California, supplementing the Sugar Bowl chair lift and lodge at Norden. An all-year paved road will lead off Highway 40 to the

## RESORTS

lower lift, a Constan T-Bar. At the upper terminus, at Emigrant Valley, skiers will transfer to the chair lift which will run to the summit, ending about 200 feet from the starting point of the Silver Belt race.

A cafeteria-warming hut will be built at the bottom of the area, and a sun deck at the midway point.

A four-mile jaunt, for ski-excursioners, takes the enthusiast to Donner Lake, 2400 feet below the peak of Lincoln, and bus service is proposed to return him safely to the foot of the lift.

Situated 193 miles from San Francisco and 43 from Reno, the Donner Summit area swells to importance as one of the most popular winter resorts in California, with some of the greatest potentialities as yet undeveloped, according to the Forest Service.

A J-Bar at Soda Springs, T-Bar at Donner Ski Ranch and the Sugar Bowl chair lift already mentioned, plus several rope tows, have proved inadequate for established use. Part of the terrain to be opened is pictured in Doc Howard's shot on page 11 of this issue.

### 67 Varieties

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts burgeons with 67 ski areas, according to the Massachusetts Development and Industrial Commission. Taking its place among outstanding New England facilities is Jiminy Peak on the Hancock-Lanesboro Road in the western part of the state. The 2100-foot T-Bar and rope tow area is located on the sheltered northern side of the mountain.

Nearby, in the Berkshire Hills, the majority of the state's ski areas are scattered, in the region of heaviest snowfall. A comprehensive guide, obtainable on request from the Berkshire Hills Conference in Pittsfield, Mass., maps the area, names the developments, gives directions for reaching them, snow condition data, and information on the days tows operate, width and vertical drop of trails, and other dope straight from the Berkshire Fairy Godfather's Handy Pocket Guide.

### Saturday Night Jump

Announcing the opening of East Meadows, newly grubbed out novice area at Big Bromley, near Manchester, Vermont, Fred Pabst, Jr., also added that redesigned hangers on all four J-Bar lifts will speed up riding this season, with more downhill running per skier possible with reduced waits.

Special Saturday night skiers' dinners — including steak and chops — will sizzle at the Chantecleer restaurant, followed by sizzling square and round dancing until 11:45.

**Inquiry:** A wrinkle helpful to skiers on the search for suitable accommodations is in effect at Jackson, N. H. Under the direction of Bob Wentworth, the Information Bureau answers questions and assists in making reservations for guests coming to the area — which includes the new Black and Thorn Mountain developments — free of charge.

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### Skiing Sparks Middlebury's Growth

Middlebury College, founded in 1800 in Vermont, is not only one of the nation's oldest institutions of higher learning, it is also one of the most ski-minded colleges in the country.

Ninety per cent of the student body of 1200 young men and women possess their

ment of nation-wide interest in skiing from two inadequate downhill trails, to its present mammoth layout consisting of a 50-meter jump with a Northern exposure, and a three-quarters natural slope, designed by Godfrey Dewey, designer of the Olympic jump at Lake Placid. There are



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own skis and take full advantage of free time away from books and studies to develop their skill on the ski slopes and trails of Middlebury's Bread Loaf Snow Bowl.

The nearly one hundred per cent enthusiasm generated annually by the college's student body and alumni is largely responsible for the development of the Snow Bowl, and the enviable championship record compiled last winter by both the men's and women's ski teams.

Since 1930, students, faculty and administration officials have been eagerly and wholeheartedly promoting the development of Middlebury's skiing facilities with the goal constantly in mind of eventually providing the members of the college family and friends with a first-class, up-to-date winter sports recreation center that would offer an opportunity for skiing to all students, and training facilities for a winning team.

**Bread Loaf Rises:** This goal has at last been reached at Middlebury during the past 18 months due to excellent co-operation of trustees, administration and students of the college.

The Bread Loaf Snow Bowl is situated in the heart of Middlebury's 13,000 acre mountain campus and, in a decade-and-a-half, has grown along with the develop-

also downhill trails second to none in collegiate circles, and a slalom hill that is long enough for a two-minute run.

During the past summer months the members of Coach Bobo Sheehan's ski team, under the direction of Joe Jones, manager of the Snow Bowl and coach of the women's team, have grassed the jump slope and extended the outrun of the jump by 30 feet. This work crew of six top Eastern ski competitors also assisted in clearing and developing another advanced slope, and the installing of two new high-powered tow motors on the advanced and intermediate slopes.

From a cup and point standing, and from the Sun Valley National Invitation College meet as well as their own Winter Carnival Meet and Intercollegiate Ski Union Championship, the Middlebury Panthers can truly be called intercollegiate champs for defeating many outstanding college ski teams in the country during the 1947-48 competitive season.

**Admissions Widened:** The results of Middlebury's successful ski team and new bowl development has caused a 25 per cent general increase in the number of applications for admission with a 75 per cent increase noted from young men and women residing in the southwest and northwest sections of the country.

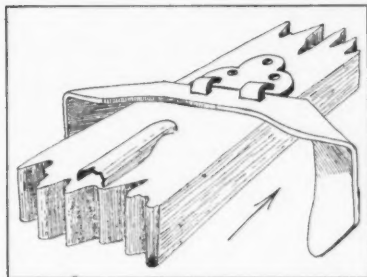


## EQUIPMENT

### New Skiers Grow In Back Yards

Portable tows now bring ski thrills to homebodies who live far from resorts and are anxious to turn backyard knolls into working ski hills.

Other easy-going fans, rather than shelling out lift fees and sweating out tow lines on the weekends, may enjoy home-made areas where runs are numerous even though the slopes lack steep schusses and long coasts.



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Both Norro and Sweden portable tows are set up in jig time on fresh powdered smaller hills that dot the roadside and beckon pioneers.

Norro mounts Porta-Tow on "snow-float," a toboggan style carrier with aluminum tube runners and a side snow guard. A seven H.P. Briggs and Stratton engine powers the 600-foot tow with the rope running around a shielded spool (called Duradrive) and stretching uphill to the anchored pulley.

Columbia makes a half inch tow rope for Porta-tow that is waterproofed and lubricated against winter weather.

**Ups & Downs:** Vertical and horizontal rollers, called "Runrite," guide the rope onto the spool, preventing any slip-ups. For winding and storing rope Norro builds a big hand-turned reel that fits neatly onto the snowfloat.

The light weight Porta-Tow (two men handle it easily) comes complete with a one-wheeled dolly trailer. The complete unit retails around \$490.

Equally nifty, Sweden Speed Ski Tow employs a seven and one half H.P. motor and a drive pulley for a 600-foot tow, using  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch rope, specially treated to prevent staining ski clothes.

Sweden's outfit includes "snow trees" that drive into the snow and anchor the motor sled and uphill pulley on hills where trees are scarce. On the Sweden tow the rope is coiled on a reel for storage while the entire unit can be hauled on a toboggan.

Sweden Speed Tow carries five to eight skiers, 500 feet a minute on a 30 degree grade. No matter what the load, a governor keeps the motor speed even.

How will skiers respond to portable

tows that mechanize golf course slopes and turn slalom practices into more sociable sessions?

More neighbors may gather on the local hill to ski and chat with friends rather than vie with snappily garbed kanonens and old hands up on the mountain. The lady next door might try her ski legs or the kid who lives over the corner drug-store may turn out with jerry-built bindings and old pine skis.

We need these Americans on skis. The old gal may get snow in her overshoes or the kid lack perfect control, but it matters little. In place of the tight knit and esoteric ski minority we can gun for a few of over 100,000,000 non-skiers in this bright land who might have a go at backyard tows and low priced ski equipment.

Small ski clubs or friendly families could finance town-sized tows by collecting fees for rides. From local practice hills much improved skiers graduate to steeper and more populous big time areas.

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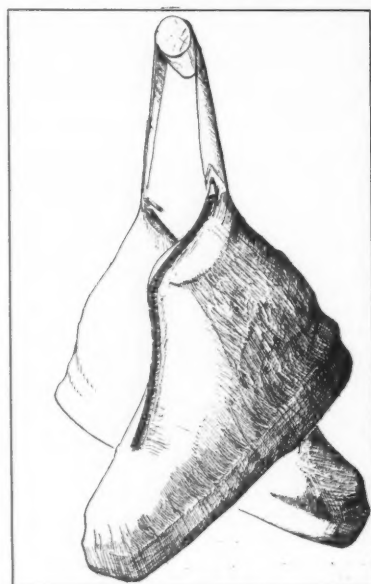
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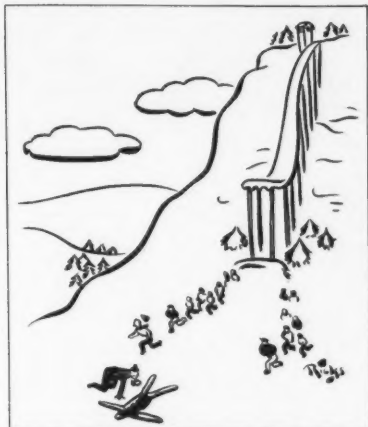
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**Reunion:** In New York the Austrian Tourist Departments announced that it expects Hannes Schneider will return to the Arlberg in March to witness the running of the famous Kandahar.

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**Innovation:** In Boston, Mass., the Boston and Maine Railroad, announced that the first television program to be sponsored by a railroad will be launched on December 30.

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## JUNIORS

### Central Fosters Future Skiers

Not to be outdone by other sections of the country, the mid-west shows every sign of realizing that junior skiers are "Very Important People."

In Leland, Mich., where professional "Peppi" Teichner has held the reins, all school children are driven each afternoon to the slopes of Sugar Loaf Mountain after classes. Thanks to the support of local enthusiasts and merchants, skis and instruction are offered free.

Fred Lonsdorf, ski pro at Houghton,

the Junior Committee a list of all used equipment belonging to the Club members will be kept. If one family has two pairs of outgrown boots and a pair of old, but still useable poles, these items will be put into the file for the information of other members on the lookout for suitable junior equipment. In this way all juniors are assured of equipment at a low rate, or perhaps even for nothing, not to mention the cluttered attics and basements that will be cleared for a good purpose.



GRINDELWALD STARTS THEM YOUNG

*And, In The Mid-West, V.I.P.'s*

Mich., reports that the Ripley Hill area will echo to the shouts and laughter of some 50 youngsters. In this junior program, transportation to and from schools will be furnished and Lonsdorf will contribute lessons.

An extensive junior program, featuring a novel interest-stimulating idea, is planned by the Snow Chase Ski Club of Chicago. The youngster who improves his skiing the most will pull out the plum of a trophy.

To add further spice to the juniors' ski yen, a boys' and girls' downhill and slalom meet will be sponsored by the Snow Chase Ski Club late next month. Chicago youngsters will match speed and control with sprouts from the Milwaukee, Wis., area. The race will mark the first time the Windy City club has acted as host to juniors of other outfits. Members are looking forward with keen anticipation to the races, to be held at Wilmot Hill near Chicago.

Another excellent idea born in the minds of club members is a card index file to be kept on all the juniors.

Under the direction of the chairman of

Adult members of the Club are slated to give instruction, and special rates for professional lessons are available.

Unorganized but equally effective is the aid given to the young beginners at Bozeman, Mont. Here Mrs. Marlyn Hausman digs deeply into her own handbag to support the juniors and gives as freely of her time and devotion. Deservedly called "The Mother of all Bozeman junior skiers" Mrs. Hausman will one day follow one of her "offsprings" through to Olympic competition.

At North Conway, N. H., woman's influence is also felt in grammar school skiing. The community committee headed by Mrs. Smiley Butler overlooks no aspect of the program including transportation, equipment and instruction.

Art Boucher handles the instruction for the self-named, "Little Twirps," and classes are often so large a teacher with less experience with children would head for the nearest woods. North Conway elders are completely sold on inter-area competition during the winter for added spice to the training routine.



## SAFETY

### Horizontal

Thousands of dollars are spent every week-end during the winter at ski schools to enable the skier to maintain an upright position. Many more thousands are spent on the finest equipment money can buy to secure the accuracy and balance needed to maintain rhythm and safety; yet little things, so often overlooked, creep in and place us in a position so aptly described as horizontal.



"DON'T YOU HAVE ANY WITH OPEN TOES?"

**Curfew:** Colorado statistics, as any ski center can verify, show that the hour of 3 p.m. is a very good time to start slowing down. More crack-ups occur, according to Dr. Stephenson of Denver, Colorado, after 3 o'clock than during the morning and early afternoon on all day skiing.

So, when you get tired — take it easy. After all, you can't sit at a desk at college or business all week and expect to imitate a mountain goat all week-end. You'll make a better skier if you start developing your leg muscles long before snow flies.

**Double Dare:** Don't be dared! In other words don't be talked into over-skiing your ability, especially if you are a novice. The little gremlin that follows you around, even on the ski slope, (your conscience) will let you know — obey him.

**Pardon my Slip:** Ski clothing is designed for the convenience and safety of the wearer. If you ride a rope tow, be sure your sleeves are snug to your arm and of a snow-shedding material. You will reduce the chances of becoming twisted or frozen to the rope.

It is a very good practice to free various parts of clothing that contact the rope, one glove at a time, or the contact point of your parka. It is much safer to leave the rope prematurely than make a round trip. People have lost their lives by not taking this little precaution.

**Red Lights:** If a rope tow does not have an automatic safety shutoff, you and your friends should boycott the slope. Your safety depends on watching the safety equipment installed for your protection. If you doubt the reliability of the safety shutoff, give it a test. You may hear a few shouts from the hill, but you'll live longer.

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# COMPETITION

## Two Hundred Thirty-One Meets On Schedule

### International

Feb. 26-27 Open Ski Jumping and Cross Country, Nansen S. C.

### National

Feb. 19-20 Open Ski Jumping, Utah S. C.  
26-27 Junior, Mount Greylock S. C.  
Mar. 4-5-6 Open Downhill and Slalom, Men and Women, Whitefish Lake S. C.  
5-6 Cross Country, Blue Mt. S. C.  
12-13 Classic Combined, Seattle S. C.  
19-20 North American Championships, Downhill and Slalom, Aspen S. C.  
April 2-3 National Giant Slalom Championships, Reno S. C.

### Central

Jan. 2 Jumping, Blackhawk S. C.  
9 Jumping, Beloit S. C.  
16 Jumping, Norge S. C.  
23 Jumping, Longview S. C.  
23 Jumping, Eau Claire W. S. C.  
23 Jumping, Rockford S. C.  
30 Jumping, Tri Norse S. C.  
30 Jumping, Aurora S. C.  
30 Jumping, Winter Sports Inc.  
Feb. 5-6 Downhill & Slalom Championship, Wausau S. C.  
6 Jumping, Duluth S. C.  
6 Jumping, Racine S. C.  
6 Jumping, Marquette S. C.  
6 Jumping, Westby Snow Flake S. C.  
13 Jumping, Michigan Tech. Huskies.  
13 Intercollegiate Jumping and Classic Combined and Four-Events, Wisconsin Huffers.  
13 Jumping, Glenwood S. C.  
19-20 Jumping, St. Paul S. C.  
20 Jumping, Ishpeming S. C.  
26-27 Jumping, Kiwanis S. C.  
26-27 Four-Event Championship, Caberfae S. C.  
Mar. 12-14 Intercollegiate Downhill & Slalom Championships, Michigan Tech. Huskies.

### Eastern

Dec. 11-12 Giant Slalom, Franconia S. C.  
11-12 Cross Country, Franconia S. C.  
26 Lake Placid Invitational Ski Jump, Lake Placid, S. C.  
30 College Week for Men, Sno Birds of Lake Placid Club.  
Jan. 2 Torger Tokle Memorial Jump, Bear Mt. S. C.  
2 New York State Slalom Championships, Saranac Lake S. C.  
8 Kimball Union Academy Cross Country, KUAOC.  
9 Louise Orvis Trophy Race, Big Bromley S. C.  
9 Hanover Special Jump, Dartmouth O. C.  
9 F.D.R. and Harold Nelson Trophy Race.  
15-16 Men's Downhill, Slalom and Combined Championships, Nansen S. C.  
15-16 Veterans' Downhill, Slalom and Combined Championships, Big Bromley S. C.  
15-16 Rutland Jr. College Invitation Meet, Rutland Jr. College S. C.  
16 Mass. Class "C" Downhill Championships, Edelweiss S. C.  
16 Class "C" Downhill, Winnepesaukee S. C.  
16 Westchester County Jumping Meet and Harold E. Doerr Memorial, Norwilt S. C.  
16 Invitational Jump, Snow Chasers S. C.  
16 Invitational Cross Country, Jackson S. & O. C.  
22-23 Women's Downhill, Slalom & Combined Championships, Middlebury W. S. C.  
22-23 Connecticut State Jumping, Cross Country & Combined Championships, Salisbury S. C.  
22-23 Victor Constant Trophy Race, Mt. Mansfield S. C.  
23 Mass. Jr. Jumping & Cross Country Tournament, Scandinavian S. C.

Jan. 23 Bromley Annual Jr. & Interscholastic Giant Slalom, Big Bromley S. C.  
23 Class "C" Downhill, Winnepesaukee S. C.  
23 White Mt. Jumping & Cross Country Tournament, Nansen S. C.  
23 Clinton Ski Club Jumping Tournament, Clinton S. C.  
29 N. Y. State Cross Country Championships, Swedish S. C.  
29-30 Men's and Women's Giant Slalom Championship, Franconia S. C.  
29-30 Mass. Jr. Downhill & Slalom Championships, Worcester S. C.  
29-30 New England Jr. Downhill & Slalom Tournament, Otter S. C.  
29-30 Jr. Invitation Tournament, Odlin S. C.  
29-30 Penn. State Amateur Ski Championships, Laurel Mt. S. C.  
29-30 11.3 Mile Cross Country, Franconia S. C.  
30 Conn. Women's Downhill & Slalom Championships, New Haven S. C.  
Feb. 4-5 Berkshire Interscholastics, Mt. Greylock S. C.  
4-5 Vermont Interscholastics, Middlebury W.S.C.  
5-6 State of Maine Open Jumping, Cross Country & Combined Championships, Chiselm S. & O. C.  
5-6 Mass. State Championship, Jumping, Cross Country & Combined, Scandinavian S. C.  
5-6 New Hampshire Four-Event Tournament, Uncanoonuc S. C.  
6 Gibson Trophy Race, Eastern Slope S. C.  
6 Mass. Jr. Downhill, Slalom & Combined Championships, Snow Chasers S. C.  
5-6 Vermont State Downhill & Slalom Championships, Otter S. C.  
Telemark S. C. Trophy Race, Telemark S. C.  
11-12 Dartmouth Winter Carnival Meet, DOC  
11-12 Women's Invitation Ski Tournament for Kate Smith Trophy, Sno Birds of Lake Placid Club.  
12-13 N. H. Class "C" Downhill, Slalom & Combined, Goffstown S. C.  
13 Open Jumping Invitation Tournament, Lake Placid S. C.  
13 Invitation Jumping Meet, Edelweiss S. C.  
13 Staten Island Ski Jumping Tournament, Staten Island S. C.  
13 Winnepesaukee Invitation Slalom, Winnepesaukee S. C.  
13 Flske Trophy Races, Woodstock Ski Runners.  
12-13 Mass. Jr. Downhill, Slalom & Combined Championships, Eaglebrook S. C.  
12-13 New York City Interclub Races, DOC of New York.  
19 Bear Mt. Jr. Tournament, Bear Mt. WSA.  
19-20 State of Maine Downhill, & Slalom and Combined Championships, Pleasant Mt. S. C.  
18-19 New England Interscholastic, N. E. Council of Secondary Schools.  
19-20 Pineland Invitation Cross Country, Jumping & Combined, Pineland S. C.  
20 Connecticut Jr. State Championships, Bristol S. C.  
20 Brattleboro Invitation Ski Jumping Tournament, Brattleboro O. C.  
20 Husbands & Wives Invitation Slalom, Schussverein S. C.  
20 Class "C" Downhill, Uncanoonuc S. C.  
20-22 Washington's Birthday Invitation Ski Tournament for Men, Sno Birds of Lake Placid Club.  
24-26 Middlebury College Winter Carnival, Men's Ski Meet, Middlebury M. C.  
26-27 Metropolitan Ski Jumping Club's Jamboree, Bear Mt. S. A.  
27 Mass. State Downhill Championship, Mt. Greylock S. C.  
27 Connecticut Men's Downhill, Slalom & Combined Championship, Newton S. C.  
Mar. 4-5 Interscholastic Championship, Lake Placid S. C.  
5 Hudson Trophy Race, Gore Mt. S. C.

Mar. 5-6 Hochgebirge Invitation Team Race, Men's Open Downhill, Slalom & Combined; Women's Open Downhill, Slalom & Combined; Veteran's Downhill, Slalom & Combined, S. C. Hochgebirge.  
5-6 Jumping & Cross Country & Combined Championships, Winnepesaukee S. C.  
6 The Golden Ski Race, Penobscot Valley S. C.  
12 Invitation Team Race for Men & Women, Eastern Slopes S. C.  
13 Appalachian Mt. Club Wildcat Race, AMC.  
12-13 Pico Derby, Otter S. C.  
12-13 Interscholastic Team Race, Franconia S. C.  
12-13 Western Mass. Jr. Winter Sports Council Tournament, Eaglebrook S. C.  
July 4 Open Invitation Ski Jumping Tournament, Lake Placid S. C.

### Far West

Jan. 23 Junior Slalom, San Geronico S. C.  
23 Junior Jumping Championships, Eastern Division, Reno S. C.  
23 Giant Slalom, Eastern Division, Reno S. C.  
30 Southern District Junior Giant Slalom and Slalom Championships, Reno S. C.  
30 Downhill Only Race, Sugar Bowl S. C.  
29-30 Nevada State Jumping Championship, Reno S. C.  
Feb. 5-6 Snow Cup Giant Slalom, Green Valley Lake S. C.  
6 Truckee Jump, Truckee S. C.  
6 Giant Slalom, Christiansa S. C.  
13 Giant Slalom, A & B Divisional Championship, Hollywood S. C.  
13 Snowshoe Thompson Cross Country and Nordic Combined, Reno S. C.  
18-19-20 Winter Carnival, University of Nevada.  
19-20 Class "B" Championships, Yosemite W. C.  
19-20 Southern District Downhill, Slalom and Combined Championship, Big Pines S. C.  
26-27 Downhill and Slalom, San Diego and Imperial County S. C.  
27 California & Nevada Jumping Championships, Tahoe S. C.  
26-27 Central District Championships and McClatchy Trophy, Sugar Bowl S. C.  
26-27 Slalom Invitational Race, San Geronico S. C.  
Mar. 4-5-6 P.C.I.S.U. Meet, Yosemite W. C.  
5-6 Bay Area District Team Matches for Men and Women, Oakland S. C.  
5-6 San Antonio Downhill, Ski Mountaineers.  
6 Class "C" Divisional Championships for Juniors, Lockheed S. A.  
12-13 Silver Dollar Derby & Class "A" Downhill & Slalom Championships, Reno S. C.  
27 Open Downhill & Slalom, Inyo Mono S. C.  
April 3 San Geronico Downhill, Ski Mountaineers.  
9-10 S.C.I.S.U. Downhill & Slalom, Southern California Colleges.  
9-10 Vanderbilt Cup, University of California.  
9-10 Disney Junior Race, Sugar Bowl S. C.  
23-24 Silver Belt Invitational, Sugar Bowl S. C.  
May 30 Mammoth Mt. Memorial Day Race, Bishop S. C.  
July (date not set) Mount Lassen Inferno, Mount Lassen S. C.  
(date not set) Eastern Sierra Open Race, Eastern Sierra S. C.  
Nov. 28 Landis Memorial Jump, Salt Lake S. C., Chamber of Commerce S. C.  
Dec. 18 Snow Cup, Jaycee S. C.  
18-19 Magic Mt. Jr. Three-Way, Twin Falls S. C.  
Jan. 9 Open Giant Slalom, Edelweiss S. C.  
22-23 Southern Utah Four-Way Combined, Timpanogos S. C.  
30 Invitational Jumping, Timp Haven S. C.  
Feb. 6 Giant Slalom, Snow Basin S. C.  
12-13 Jackson Hole Open, Downhill and Slalom.

## COMPETITION

- Feb. 13 Jumping Championships, Utah S. C.  
22 Giant Slalom, Bear Gulch S. C.  
26-27 Intermountain Downhill and Slalom, Salt Lake S. C.  
Mar. 6 University of Utah Cross Country, Brighton S. C.  
April 2-3 Teton Derby, Giant Slalom, Jackson Hole S. C.  
22-24 Alta Cup and Rusty Cup, Downhill Slalom and Giant Slalom, Alta S. C. and Utah S. C.  
July 23 Timpanogos Glacier Giant Slalom, Timpanogos S. C.

### Northern Rocky Mountains

- Jan. 1-2 Bozeman Holiday Open Meet, Bozeman S. C.  
15-16 Elkhorn Downhill and Slalom Meet, Elkhorn S. C.  
22-23 Ennis Cup Open Downhill and Slalom Team & Individual Meet, Ennis S. C.  
29-30 Cross Country and Jump Championships, Butte S. C.  
Feb. 5-6 Jr. Downhill and Slalom Championship Races, Elkhorn S. C.  
12-13 High School Meet, Ennis S. C.  
19-20 Downhill and Slalom Open Championships, West Yellowstone S. C.  
26-27 Doug Smith Memorial Open Team Downhill and Slalom, Whitefish Lake S. C.  
Mar. 12-13 Belmont Open Invitational Downhill and Slalom, Helena S. C.  
27 West Yellowstone Giant Slalom Open Meet, West Yellowstone S. C.

### Pacific Northwest

- Jan. 2 Portland Day Trail Race, Schnee Vogel S. C.  
9 Downhill Race, Penguin S. C.  
15 Jumping, Fjeld S. C.  
15-16 Lea Bacos Downhill & Slalom, Bogus Basin S. C.  
15-16 Heller & Chambers Downhill and Slalom, Bogus Basin S. C.  
16 Jeffers Cup Idaho Elimination, Payette Lakes S. C.  
21-23 Giant Slalom, Cross Country and Jumping, Western Interstate Ski Meet, Sun Valley S. C.

- Jan. 23 Jerry Gillis Memorial Junior Downhill & Slalom, Skyliners S. C.  
30 Jumping, Seattle S. C.  
30 Downhill, Penguin Ski Club.  
30 Four-Way Mighty Mites, Payette Lakes S. C.

- Feb. 6 Jumping, Leavenworth S. C.  
13 Jumping, Spokane S. C.  
13 Giant Slalom, University of Portland S. C.  
19 Slalom & Jumping, Payette Lakes S. C.  
20 Jumping Championships, Payette Lakes S. C.  
20 Cross Country, Obsidians.  
20 Lilliput Races, Bogus Basin S. C.  
20 Giant Slalom, Penguin S. C.  
27 All-Oregon Giant Slalom, Obsidians.

- Mar. 5-6 Jumping, Blue Mt. S. C.  
5-6 Junior Championships Four-Way; Women's Championship Two-Way, Cascade Ski Club.  
5-6 Idaho Open Bogus Basin Downhill Championships, Bogus Basin S. C.  
12-13 Downhill & Slalom, Sun Valley S. C.  
12-13 American Legion Jr. Elimination, Downhill, Slalom & Jumping, Payette Lakes S. C.

- 13 Jr. Downhill & Slalom, Cheechakos.  
19-20 Junior & "A" Men, Women's Open Gem Cup Downhill & Slalom, Bogus Basin S. C.  
20 Downhill, Penguin S. C.  
20 Gretchen Fraser Trophy Downhill & Slalom, Suksi S. C.  
26-27 Harriman Cup Downhill & Slalom, Sun Valley S. C.

- 27 All-Oregon Downhill & Slalom.  
27 Jumping, Anthony Lakes S. C.  
April 3 Far West Kandahar Downhill & Slalom, Cascade S. C.  
3 Giant Slalom, Huntton S. C.  
10 Daffodil Cup Race Downhill & Slalom, Tacoma S. C.  
10 Giant Slalom, Trosde S. C.  
17 Golden Pole Giant Slalom Race, Portland Jr. Chamber of Commerce S. C.  
17 Downhill, Penguin S. C.  
23-24 Silver Skis Open Downhill, Washington S. C.

- May 6-7 Huntton Handicap, Huntton S. C.  
June (date not definite) Golden Rose Downhill, Cascade S. C.  
July 4 Heather Cup Giant Slalom, Fjeld S. C.  
4 Jumping, Fjeld S. C.

### Southern Rocky Mountain

- Dec. 12 Novice Race, Zipfelberger S. C.  
28-30 Four-Way Intercollegiate, Aspen S. C.  
Jan. 9 Giant Slalom, Idaho Springs S. C.  
16 Novice Race, Wolf Creek S. C.  
23 Downhill and Slalom, Jr. Zipfelberger S. C.  
Feb. 5-6 Jr. Championships, Downhill and Slalom, Steamboat Springs WSC.  
5-6 Four-Way Intercollegiate, Pioneer S. C.  
12-13 Jr. Jumping Championships, Steamboat Springs WSC.  
12-13 Downhill and Slalom, Albuquerque S. C.  
19-20 Downhill and Slalom Championships, Class A, B, and Open, Men, Zipfelberger S. C.  
26-27 Cross Country and Four-Way Intercollegiate Championships, Mountaineer S. C.  
27 Giant Slalom, Colorado S. Runners.  
Mar. 5-6 Downhill and Slalom, Class "C" and A, B, C, Women, Downhill and Slalom Championships, Colorado Christie Club.  
6 Jr. Giant Slalom, Colorado Mountaineer Club.  
12-13 Roch Cup Downhill and Slalom, Aspen S. C.  
27 Downhill and Slalom, S. C. of the Matawakan.  
April 2-3 Downhill and Slalom, Buffalo S. C.  
2-3 High School Downhill and Slalom, Norskis Club.  
9-10 Intercollegiate Downhill and Slalom, Ptarmigan S. C.  
17 Pikes Peak Championships, Pikes Peak S. C.  
24 Downhill and Slalom, Continental S. C.  
May 1 May Day Slalom, Last Year's Winners S. C.  
June 12 Sunrise Slalom and Water Ski Tournament, Grand Lake S. C.

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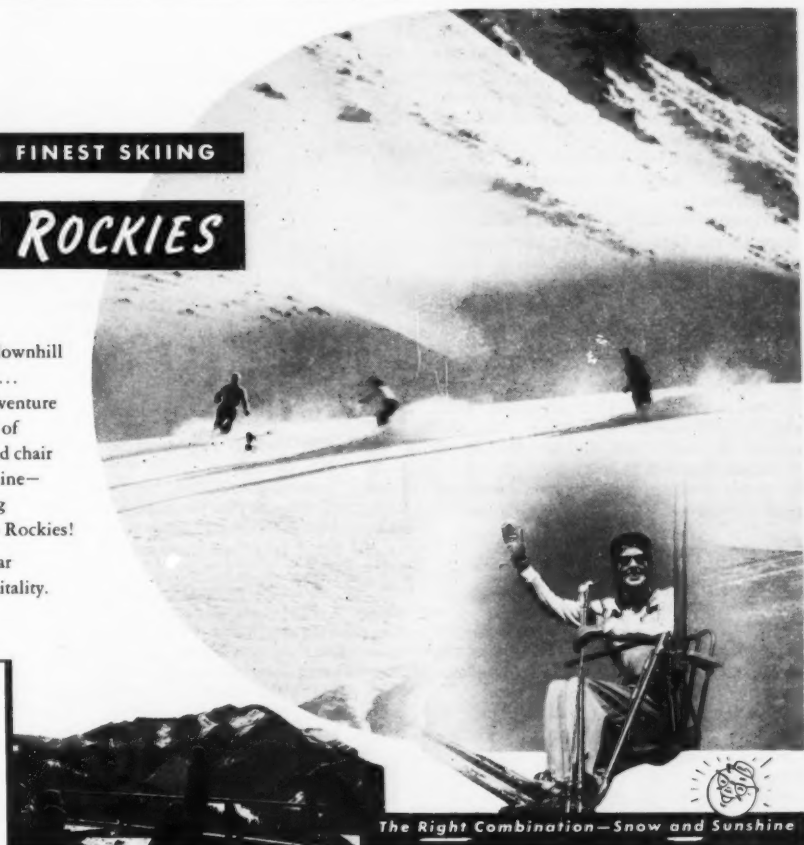
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## Benedikter Shows Flexible Parka

Latest communiques from Paris indicate new developments up and coming in ski wear. Frenchwoman Madeleine De Rauch, ever-mindful of skiing problems, skiing tastes, has just shown her mid-season collection. Two things were pointed up by the show; one functional, one frippery.

First, a new pocket on the De Rauch ski jackets. A blouse jacket, it has an inverted pleat down either side of the back. Like a slightly re-designed kangaroo, the jacket's pleats hide an enormous pocket which can replace the annoying, cutting knapsack straps.

De Rauch frippery is the placing of creases on downhill pants to the side, à la bell bottom trousers, rather than to the conventional front. No problem is solved, no need is met in this bewildering style shift.

A skier herself, American Marjorie Benedikter is a designer who has consistently come up with good, functional, conservative ski wear. It has proved popular in the better price brackets. One of the best designs to come out of the American designing box in many years from a skier's standpoint is hers. It's a combination of fabric and knitting. This year she again places hand knit cables, flexible and stretchable, at the shoulder action point. In the photo shown here, Miss Benedikter is wearing a rose-colored Byrd cloth jacket with a yoke trim of navy hand-knit double cable. And with it, a hand-knit navy helmet and her excellent hand-tailored, all-wool gabardine navy trousers.

**Popular Byrd:** For a variation on the same theme of Byrd cloth in combination with knit, is her most popular parka of last year. This navy-and-white combination has double cables around the armhole and features dark sleeves.

Highlighted in many shops across the country that carry Benedikter designs are companion sweaters. Many of the jackets have hand-knit sweaters that exactly duplicate the color schemes, usually excellent ones, and the placement of cables. Hand-knit hoods are all planned to combine with either the sweaters or parkas, or both.

### Custom Wear

One of the Boston area's best spots to buy custom tailored sportswear is Mar Sand, 15 School Street, Boston. One of their most popular men's suits shows the clean, classic approach to functional ski wear.

The jacket, long cut to give plenty of "tuck-in", is lined with Skinner's Tackle Twill. In the traditional manner, the trousers have front pleats and stitched creases. Zippered pockets are slanted for easier entry and the back pocket is Zippered, button-flapped.

A neck and ear protector band on the lined cap ties up when not needed. Prices depend on fabric choice, with jackets ranging from \$40 to \$45, trousers from \$28.50 to \$38.50, caps from \$6.50 to \$7.50. Custom tailoring assures an accurate fit, and each garment is made to suit the individual's taste.

sound construction, excellent styling and conservative prices. Sweaters in various weights are priced modestly, from around \$9 to \$15.

Original with this shop is a group of French-inspired blouses, appropriate with either town suits or ski trousers. They are simple, tailored, long sleeve shirts, in



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### All Around The Town

In recent weeks, two brand-new ski shops have opened in New York, one East Side, one West Side. First to open was the Telemark Ski Shop, 305 West 58 Street. As the name indicates it is owned by the same trio that handled the Telemark Tours from the same address in the last few years. Main buyer Halina Konopacka is most apt to be found in, with always a ready ear cocked to hear the customers requests. Other partners, Roman Panay and Kazimir Krag, are always ready to chat entertainingly of trails, tours.

With kind consideration for the buyer's bankroll, the Telemark Ski Shop carries moderately priced equipment and clothing.

Often-seen suit and jacket label is Frederick Dormer's. It stands for good,

plaid or checked wools or solid corduroy. Often they feature contrasting velveteen collars and cuffs, with prices at \$12.75.

**Well-Finished:** Over on the East Side, on the second floor of the Finland House, 41 East 50th, is Felix Tavi's newly opened ski shop. Versatile, bee-busy Felix Tavi successfully combines an unusual variety of occupations and avocations. In his office he makes dental plates; at home, he paints effectively in oils. To his favorite outdoor recreation, skiing, he adds an active membership in New York's famed Seventh Regiment. The twenty-fourth hour of Tavi day, empty until recently, was filled out by the opening of his store.

Typical of the only-to-be-found-here items are finely hand-knit wool mittens from Lapland. In completely original native designs and color schemes, they

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**No Go:** The city of Halifax, N. S., will promote a championship ski meet as part of a bi-centenary celebration of the city in 1949. Efforts have been made to obtain the right to hold at least one Canadian title event, downhill, slalom, jump, for either men or women. Thus far, no recognition, although the whole city is stressing skiing this season.

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# NSA Program Hinges On Support

The National Ski Association of America is hopefully gearing to play a greater part in the future development of skiing. Nearly 100 delegates and guests attending its 41st annual convention at Chicago — one of the most harmonious in recent years — saw the stage set for a vigorous program designed to make the associa-

time secretarial service for the newly-created office of executive secretary, held by Roger Langley of Barre, Mass., who for the past 12 years has served as president.

Arthur J. "Red" Barth, Milwaukee editor of SKI SPORT, president of the Central Ski Association and secretary of



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tion's work a vital part of skiing for beginner and Class A competitor alike.

The extent of the assistance that the NSA will be able to put forth is greatly up to every individual skier. This is clearly shown by the fact that it will be necessary to have full support of the National Ski Fund (\$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for juniors) if the Association is to have sufficient funds available to carry out the program it envisions.

**Here to Stay:** As a first step in the program, the convention voted the establishment of a permanent office with full-

the NSA, succeeds Langley as president. Following his election he made the following statement:

"The NSA was founded to regulate jumping and cross-country skiing. Today skiing has grown to a point where it is the favorite sport of several million people in this country and the National Ski Association is going to do its utmost to improve the lot of every skier through educational programs, more patrols, certified instruction, an expanded film library for use by clubs, greater assistance to the juniors, closer cooperation with the gov-



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ernment agencies regulating the use of state and federal lands for skiing, and in general do everything possible to improve our sport.

**Weak Link:** "The extent of the work we will be able to do to make skiing a better sport for everyone is limited only by the financial assistance skiers give us this winter with the National Ski Fund."

Mrs. Alice Kiaer praised the spirit of the U. S. women skiers at the Olympic Games and Gretchen Fraser was accorded the rare honor of being voted an honorary life membership in the NSA for the performance in winning the Olympic special slalom. It was also voted to obtain and give Mrs. Fraser an appropriate painting for the new home being built by the Frasers above Vancouver, Wash.

The increased use of National Forest Service lands by skiers was stressed by both John Sicker of the NFS and Fred McNeill, chairman of the Public Lands Winter Use Committee of the NSA, who pointed out that last year 2,724,511 skiers were recorded as they entered the Forest Service lands, as compared to 1,649,813 the previous winter. Skiers represented 17% of the year round visitors to lands under the supervision of the National Forest Service, it was stated. Even the U. S. government is in the ski business, inasmuch as the ski lift at Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood is owned by the government.

A spirited discussion over the award of the sanctions for the 1950 FIS World Championships, which previously had been awarded to the United States, resulted in the downhill and slalom, together with the special slalom, going to Aspen, Colorado. The jumping and cross-country phases, which include a 15-18 kilometer cross-country, a 30-60 km cross-country, a four-man cross-country relay of 10 kms. each, special jumping, combined 15-18 km. cross-country and jump, and the new 10 km. women's cross-country event, were awarded to Lake Placid, N. Y.

**Notes:** The move to restrict the national jumping championships to U. S. citizens was lost . . . Minot Dole reported that four skiers were killed in avalanches in the U. S. last year and the NSPS hopes to bring light on this menace to the sport through clinics this year. . . . A 20-minute color film narrated by Lowell Thomas, "Ski Tips" is available to clubs by the NSPS at 415 Lexington Avenue, New York 17, N. Y.

It is hoped to send a U. S. team to the Pan-American championships in South America next summer if sufficient funds can be raised . . . Langley was given a standing vote of thanks for his work as editor of the 1949 *American Ski Annual*. . . . The National Ski Association budget for the next year is about \$20,000. It was voted that annual conventions be held in the Spring and Sun Valley was selected as site of the 1950 convention.



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## CANADIAN

### Quebec Plans Busy Race Year

Highlighted by the 1949 Canadian Downhill and Slalom Championships, slated for Mont Tremblant, P. Q., on February 26-27, the Province of Quebec is destined to enjoy the most active competitive skiing in history.

The Canadian title meet, which will attract a number of the leading American racers, is one of the three international meets to be staged this winter in the Laurentians. Others are the Ladies International Invitation meet, scheduled for Mount Baldy, Ste. Marguerite, P. Q., March 19-20, and the annual Quebec-Kandahar which will be held at Mont Tremblant, March 5-6.

The Quebec skiing season officially started with the holding of the annual refresher course for professional instructors at George Fousey's Jasper-in-Quebec at St. Donat, P. Q., which ended December 10.

A ski jumping meet with an international flavor will be held in Montreal at the Cotes-des-Neiges hill when the annual George Washington Trophy competition is staged March 6.

Other topflight meets in Quebec will be the McGill Winter Carnival tentatively slated for St. Sauveur or Ste. Marguerite

February 17-19. The Central Canadian Four-Way Championship will be held at Camp Fortune, P. Q., in the Gatineau Hills, February 11-13.

The annual Taschereau Downhill, Eastern Canada's most famous junior downhill meet, will be held at Mont Tremblant January 30, under the direction of Ski School Head Mario Gabriel.

In all more than 30 meets will be staged between January 2 and March 20 to afford the Province of Quebec a record-smashing competitive program.

**Real Boost:** Real Charette, for the last four years Luggi Foeger's chief assistant at the Snow Eagle Ski School, St. Jovite, P. Q., has been elevated to the head of the teaching brigade and will have a staff of five assistants. Charette is practically a movie hero, having been in "Ski Pro's Holiday", "Ascent of Mt. Bulyea," and "Rhythm on Snow."

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Entry lists have not as yet surpassed the 70 mark, but the area is far from inactive and recreational skiing has grown to major proportions in the District in the last few winters.

**Re-Joyce:** At Banff, Alberta, "Miss Banff", Joyce Morrison, proved she will be a skiing queen as well as a touch of beauty at the 1949 Banff Winter Carnival. Elected for the honor before the early snowfall in the Canadian Rockies, Miss Morrison was one of the first to take advantage of the arrival of winter scenery and skied in a manner befitting a Queen.

In Vancouver, B. C., local high schools have already started to look forward to their annual spring tournament for their students. Local ski clubs are helping with time, interest and contributions, including jumping and cross-country skis for youngsters whose allowances do not provide for several pairs.

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On the other hand, if you are one of the many who confess that the entire process of news writing is somewhat confusing — and results not all that could be desired — this "class" in basic journalism and publicity technique may prove to be of some value.

The first and perhaps most important advice to be given is: Study the publications you wish to reach with each release!

Since few busy resort officials have the time to rewrite a release to meet the varying requirements of the newspapers, columnists, radio announcers and magazines, the theory is not entirely practical. But a careful study of the habits of each outlet in accepting news from your resort will pay dividends many times over without making necessary a great deal of rewriting on your basic release.

All outlets receiving a release from you will appreciate the adherence to these primary rules.

**Plain and White:** (1) Paper stock should be plain (white or off-white paper); copy double-spaced, and paragraph indentations at least three spaces wide.

(2) Copy should start one-third of the way down the page. There is a reason for this. If your release does not include a head, same must be added by the copy reader and he demands open space for his job.

If you can, put your own head on your release even if the results are not perfect. Again there is good reason for this statement.

A head on your copy often attracts the attention of a copy reader who otherwise might be too busy to read the text. It is truly said that an eye-catching head has saved more than one release from being tossed unceremoniously into the nearest wastebasket. Generally speaking if you can not write a snappy head for your copy, the release is not worth your trouble.

(3) One of the most commonly detected errors on releases is the absence of a date line.

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(4) Except in feature writing, all releases must open with the time-honored WHO, WHAT, WHEN, and WHERE and sometimes WHY.

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There are countless ways in which this lead sentence formula may be used. The better the journalist the more interesting the treatment. However, regardless of the skill employed the who, what, when and where is present.

Actually you can't go far wrong with a short, declarative sentence that successfully tells the whole story as if no other paragraphs were to follow.

Since most releases do include more than one sentence, a word on this point is not remiss.

It is all too easy to confuse a WHO with a WHERE or a WHAT release. To be specific, news stories fall, in most instances, into one of these three categories. Only once in a blue moon does a story include more than one of the basic ingredients.



**Stick to Subject:** If you have a WHO story (people, the signing of a new pro, etc.), stay close to your story and do not stray into a discourse on the scenery at your resort, the gentleness of the slopes, and other miscellaneous data that is interesting enough, but only spoils the story you wish printed.

Without going into technical details the rule of thumb to follow states, "Each release should be one story — unhampered and unmolested."

(5) Keep these general guides constantly in mind:

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## FOREIGN

### Continental Resorts Sparkle

From Gstaad in the Bernese Oberland of Switzerland to Kitzbuehel in the Austrian Tyrol, Europeans this month were readying themselves for what promised to be the biggest winter sports season since the end of the war. Relaxation of travel restrictions December 1 in the military zone of Austria was part of the reason for the looked-for big business.

lifts to supplement cable railways already in existence. Radstadt in the Tauern area will also have a new one.

Below are listed some of the scheduled events for Gstaad and Austrian resorts.

**Gstaad:** Feb. 5-6, Wasserngrat-Derby, downhill and slalom. Feb. 20, Field Marshall Montgomery Challenge Cup, jumping.



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But equally important was the glittering array of events from curling to sleighing that sparkled from studded calendars.

**Under Duress:** Not many wrinkles were going unpressed. In the Arlberg region at Lech-Am-Arlberg, this Austrian town faced directly and shrewdly toward one of skiing's major publicity bugaboos. Taking the straightforward attitude that occasionally parts of man's anatomy give way before the stresses of skiing, Lech is advertising its newest feature — a completely equipped hospital, with the accent on X-Ray and osteological facilities.

Another lure which may well snare those Americans with the time and lucre to cross the Atlantic is the highly favorable position of the U. S. dollar in the world money marts. In the Vorarlberg region, for instance, one inn is quoting room and meals at \$3.25 a day.

The mountain ski huts in Austria have reopened this season. Ski touring through some of the most extensive fields in the world is once again simple and again the rate of exchange is a pleasant thing to contemplate.

New answers to the age-old problem of getting to the top were also popping up. In Austria, the Kanzelhoehe Mountain in Carinthia and the Feuerkogel in the Salzkammergut each are opening two new

**Kitzbuehel:** Dec. 26, Christmas Ski Jumping Contest. Feb. 5-6, International Hahnenkamm Race, Ski Jump, Silver Chamois. Feb. 27, Stieckelberg Race. Easter, Giant Slalom, Steinbergkogel.

**Salzburg:** Jan. 22-23, Salzburg Provincial Championships. Jan. 22, 10-Kilometer F.I.S. Open Race. Jan. 22, Provincial Championship Race. Jan. 23, Salzburg Championship Slalom. Jan. 23, F.I.S. Open Ski Jumping. Jan. 24, Kruecken Slalom. Jan. 24, F.I.S. Open Slalom, Women. Jan. 26, F.I.S. Open.

**Villach:** Jan. 9, Austrian Competition for F.I.S. Feb. 8-13, Austrian National Ski Championships.

**St. Anton:** Dec. 30-31, Belgian Ski Championships. March 12-13, Kandahar Race. March 12-13, Silver Jubilee, British Kandahar Club.

**Zell-Am-See:** Jan. 20, Austrian Competitions for F.I.S. Badgastein and Hofgasteln: Feb. 6, Austrian Competitions for F.I.S. Tyrol: Jan. 30, Winter Sport Carnival.

**Innsbruck:** Jan. 29, Exhibition, "Development of Skiing. Tschagguns: Feb. 3, Night Jumping By Searchlight. Bishofshofen: Feb. 21, F.I.S. Jumping Competition. Seegrube: March 30, Giant Slalom for F.I.S. contestants. Radstadt: April 3, Giant Slalom for F.I.S. contestants.



## TECHNIQUE

### Foxhound Skiing

By KATHARINE A. WAHLGREN

The old argument on the relative value of various schools of skiing still continues. Mention Arlberg and someone will immediately hop to the fore with a long discourse on the Empire technique. The name Loosli starts a pro and con discussion ending in bitter words and broken friendships.

Yet not one word has been said or written on the most popular method of all.

It has not even been named. Observation suggests the "Foxhound Method" inasmuch as the favorite position resembles a foxhound keen on the chase. The nose is pointed as close to the ground as possible without scraping the snow, the body is thrust forward from the hips. Poles point upward and outward. It is true, the position is not as graceful as that advocated under other methods, but it is a lot more eye-catching, especially to anyone who gets in the way of the poles.

**Starts the Same:** The Foxhound Method, like all others, starts off with the snowplow. Not for controlled skiing; that would detract from the fun, as the more dangerous the skiing, the greater the sport.

Snowplowing is taught for the flexibility it gives the body. The recognized snowplow in other schools is an awkward position — skis firmly held in place, toes meeting, heels far apart. Not so with a Foxhounder. Skis quiver from side to side, sometimes the heel of one ski touching the other, toes with never less than a foot between. The knees may be bent or not. Preferably not, since the Foxhounder bends from the hips; otherwise there is danger of the nose leaving the ground and losing the scent of the trail.

Stem-turns, if so they may be called, are a masterpiece of discretion thrown to the winds. A quick, vicious thrust of the nose to the right or to the left (and sometimes both, since a Foxhounder frequently does not know which way he wants to turn), one pole swinging wildly and freely forward, rear pole trembling far behind, and a really beautiful sitzmark is made!

Stops are done with intense determination. The body is thrust sharply to one side, skis turn up the slope, toes apart, heels together. The body bends over further, nose scraping the snow; hands meet between outspread skis and knees, grasping the poles firmly, pointing them upward and rearward.

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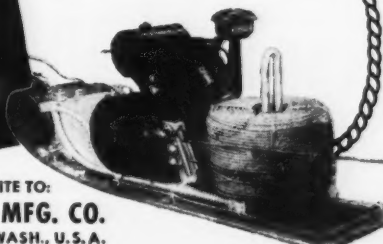
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the snow to keep erect. Sometimes the poles fail to hold, and the Foxhound topples over. The best part about this stop is that it is usually the person who

protection of the angels when they watch so closely over the Foxhound.

One wonders why more publicity is not given this method. Surely, even a casual



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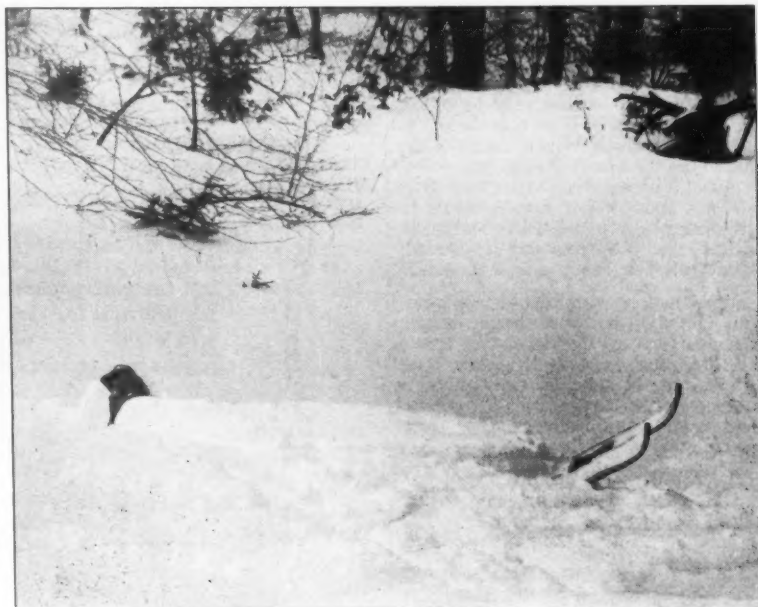
### FOXHOUND CHRISTIE

*Poles Forward And . . .*

is crashed into who gets the broken leg or the innocent bystander who loses an eye from the flying pole.

Thus you can see, the method has the

observer would quickly note that it is preferred above all others at any ski resort in the country, but especially at the most fashionable ones.



### FOXHOUND CONTROL STOP

*Turn Completed*

## SHOPPING

The weeks immediately preceding Christmas usually bring with them an annual pre-Christmas complaint—the burgeoning “must remember” gift list. The remedy to the complaint is the ferreting out of more gift possibilities. With the wear and tear in mind American budgets are feeling these days, herewith a list of “last chance” suggestions.

**Rarities Are Captured . . .** at the Alpine Ski Shop, 143 East 45th Street,



New York City. Managed by the skiing Franks, this shop has several hard-to-find items that make life easier. Here, for instance, hunters may bag the elusive sealskins. Mounted on a strong web back, with the same webbing used as straps plus slip buckles, they range from 6' to 7' 3". In this case hunter must pay bounty of \$12.50.

**Good Care . . .** of good boots is a necessity, practical skiers agree. And boot trees, specifically designed for ski boots, are part of that good care. The Alpine shop has tension wooden trees with a sliding heel, for a snug, firm bracing, that retail for \$2.25. Later in the season they hope to pull a Burbank and grow lightweight metal trees.

**Equipment For A Skiing Weekend . . .** is available by gift certificate at the Alpine Shop. Skis and poles rate \$2.50 a weekend, \$3.50 with boots, all carefully fitted at the shop at no charge. A good solution for getting the city laggards out onto the slopes.

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**More Heat . . .** but for the inner man this time, from the contents of the HotCan Corporation's product, now to be carried in all Stump & Walter retail stores. A can-within-a-can arrangement provides the hungry skier with a hot meal at the top of the coldest mountain. When

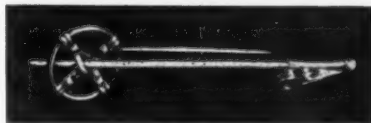
the outer can is opened, chemically generated heat cooks dinner in 12 minutes.

Before the dinner is in the inner man and is cooking it is protected by the inner can. A handle-with-mittens label should go with this gadget—it gets that hot, and it keeps the food warm for 30 minutes. It is in the moderate price class. Selection includes franks and beans, chicken and noodles and coffee, among others.

**Reinforcement . . .** for weak ankles is a simple problem with the “Integral” ankle brace. Made of perforated sponge rubber with a light-weight retaining band and lace adjustments, it double pads ankles. New in this country this season, it is a European development adopted by the French National Ski Team. Retail at about \$4.00, and is available in small, medium and large sizes in stores across the country.

**Ever-popular . . .** is ski jewelry with tiny poles, skis or ski pole baskets. Available in sterling silver from Charles Arcularius, New Canaan, Conn., pins run about \$4.80 to \$12.00 Federal tax included.

**Waxing Irons . . .** now manufactured specially for spreading the slippery stuff on skis should save housewives' laundry-day utensils. Mission Metalcrafters, P. O. Box 688, Santa Barbara, Calif.,



will sell a perforated waxer with five heat tabs for \$2.95.

**Much Luck . . .** has the skier who finds a pair of Eskimo mukluks in his Christmas stocking. Eric Lundberg of Timberline, Oregon, makes this famous footgear available for \$27.50 this year, a good investment for the chilly-footed. Colorful and comfortable, mukluks are attractive for indoor wear, and waterproof soles withstand a quick run out-of-doors. Each pair has a different mosaic design executed in calfskin.

**Eric . . .** also comes up with spotted all-sealskin wax, lunch or cigarette-and-handkerchief-bags to wear on the belt. Inside they have two longitudinal compartments. Hand sewn by Eskimos, using animal sinew, they come in light or dark skin for \$6.95.

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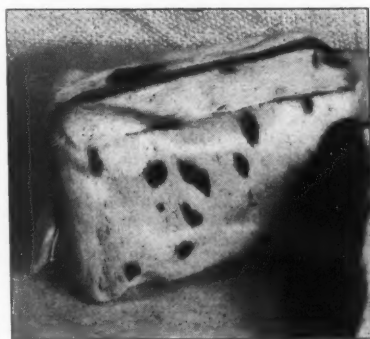
supply of Navy N2 goggles to sell for a very modest \$1.50. The ventilated, face-fitting rubber frame comes complete with an adjustable web handband and four interchangeable Polaroid lenses — red, amber, smoke and clear.

**Fur Fancies** . . . are specialties of R. P. Snell, 545 Fifth Avenue, New York. For the cross-country skier there's a seal-skin-faced blue canvas pouch with a strap arrangement which permits a shoulder bag or knapsack adjustment. About \$10 plus tax, this and other fur items (belts and purses) are available at many shops. Sig Buchmayr's in Manchester, Vermont and the Jack Frost in Jackson, N. H. for instance.

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## SCHOLASTIC

### The Maine Approach

Scholastic skiing will make progress in the State of Maine this winter. The high schoolers are headed for a surge of activity if Virginia E. Parker, Director of Girls' athletics at Kents Hill Junior College and Preparatory School, has her way.

A little tired of the inactivity in Maine scholastic ranks, Miss Parker is currently conducting a one-woman campaign to start the ball rolling when snow flies.

"The main thing," states Miss Parker, "is to hear from all Maine schools equally anxious to foster scholastic skiing. Everyone is certain to have fun and eventually we will all have a worth-while program. I would appreciate inquiries from our neighbors."

A sample survey of high and preparatory schools made by SKI Magazine indicates that only 2.8 per cent of the 75 schools questioned pay for any part of the equipment or clothing used by skiers.

This raises the natural question, "Why shouldn't the schools include skiing on the annual sports budget?" Granted that it is a non-income sport and that few schools have funds available for complete backing, it is still difficult to accept the fact that skiing has been completely ignored on most fronts when the schools get around to paying athletic bills.

**Wrong Track:** As one Eastern high school coach summed up the situation, "We all made a big mistake when we allowed organized skiing to promote scholastic skiing. The National and sectional associations have done a fairly good job, but the school authorities took their interest to mean they had no obligation to the sport. As a result skiing ranks lower than ping-pong when the money is handed out."

"Don't let anyone fool you, the situation in scholastic skiing is not as good as it is made out to be. Scholastic skiing does not need ski clubs to reach the plane on which it belongs. Coaches and enthusiasts need to fight for a position beside the other high school sports before we will have any real status whatsoever. Name me the high school ski coaches who are paid for their efforts and you will discover what I'm driving at in my complaint."

"The main point, however, is that only those who can afford the expense can try out for most high school ski teams. This is a far cry from the democracy that exists on other athletic squads where uniforms and necessary equipment is made available by the school authorities. Imagine, if you will, high school football open only to those able to pay for helmets, and all the rest of the uniform that now comes to around \$100 or more for each gridster."

### Junior Nationals

Every effort is being made to make a truly national event of the National Junior championships scheduled to be held under the sponsorship of the Mt. Greylock Ski Club of Pittsfield, Mass., February 26 and 27, according to George Maynard, Greylock official. In addition to the sponsoring club the Berkshire Hills Conference, the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, the Y.M.C.A., and the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee are cooperating in the preparations for the meet.



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## PEOPLE

### For The Budget Minded

Empire-builder **Joe Ryan** announces expansive plans for his Mont Tremblant lay-out next year. The plans, which will leave budget-minded skiers' purses fairly well-stacked, call for the erection of 100 cabins near the base of the new chair lift on the north side of the mountain. Largely self-service, bunk house style, the 10-occupant cabins are slated to rent for \$100 the season.



**HARTY & MOORE**  
*Now On The Run*

Another television show is being prepared for the cathode tubes. **Bill Quivey**, producer-announcer of the radio show "Let's Go Skiing" for WHN, will start a weekly 10-minute job for WCBSTV, New York, December 23. The show, which will be televised each Thursday night at 8, has a good chance of hitting the Boston-New York-Philadelphia-Baltimore hook-up.

In the lee of metropolitan New York, the Staten Island Ski Club is hard at work restoring the ski jump at Todt Hill on the island. **Bill Paulsen** is heading up the organization as president.

### New Eastern Conference

A new college league, the Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Conference, recently named its high brass. **John Murphy** of Boston University was tapped for the presidency. Other colleges in the circuit are Babson, Boston College, Brown, Clark, Tufts, Devens, Northeastern and Springfield.

**Pat Harty** of the Boston Globe and **Henry Moore** of the Boston Herald, two of the East's top ski writers, are now on a "coke" and hamburger diet as they cover the leading competitive events through New England.

Optimistic snow men are those in back of the Mad River Glen development at Fayston, Vt. President **Roland Palmedo** officiated at an early opening, December 11.

New addition to the **Warren Post** family, operators of the White Hills Ski facilities at Spooner Summit, Reno, is son **Michael Warren**, born last month.

Also electing officers recently was the Pacific Northwest Ski Association which

picked **Baker Ferguson** of the Blue Mountain Club, Walla Walla as its prexy.

The "cover boys" on this issue are the three- and four-year-old sons of New York Journalist **Frank Kappler**, who picked up the tyrolean hats worn by **Cliff** and **Frank junior** while in Italy as a war correspondent.

Former Bavarian instructor **Sigo Baum** will direct the ski school at Grosinger's in the Catskills of New York state this season. **Jerry Didinsky** of Fallsburgh, N. Y. will assist.

### Junior Ski Campers

A week-end ski camp for juniors will be operated by **Mr. and Mrs. George Dillman** at Otis Ridge, Mass. this season. First of its kind, the new ski program will be under the direction of **Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gilmore**, who specialized in teaching junior skiers in Westchester before joining the camp staff. Each week-end's sessions will include programs for both beginners and advanced skiers.

Financed by a \$10,000 gift of **Herbert D. Landes**, as a memorial to his son Bob, who went down with his ship off Leyte, Utah's famous Alta area near Salt Lake City has a new 40-meter jumping hill. The jump was designed by Olympic Coach **Alf Engen** as a proving ground for young jumpers, who together with brothers **Sverre** and **Corey**, dedicated the new hill with their famed triple jump, scattering crimson carnations en route.

Switzerland's two great Olympians **Antoinette Meyer**, runner-up to **Gretchen Fraser** in the Special Slalom,



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*Front View of Kapplers*

and **Karl Molitor** were married last month. Both will be remembered by those who saw the Swiss team when it visited this country in the Spring of '47.

**Freddie Pieren**, former Sun Valley, Idaho and Snow Valley, Vt. instructor, now living in Ketchum, Idaho, plans to confine his skiing to the recreational variety this winter.



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## OUTSIDE REPORT

### Skiers Is Funny People

By W. P. G. CHAPIN

You meet some funny ones.

Like this guy I run into the other day on the beginners' slope. This is a slope that is smooth like a bar-top and very very short and not so very steep. For the duds, you understand. Where they will not so



likely get pushed around. I am having a class there, being one of the pros here. Kind of class takes half the time showing them how to get up.

Anyway this guy keeps bumping into my class. He has gone and put up a lot of slalom poles over to one side of the slope next the trees and he has packed the snow there. He is not even fair. Maybe two-three months trying to teach himself but no lessons. No. But his clothes! Cripes! Black trousers so tight they like to ripple when he takes a step. Classy sweater tucked in under one of these big leather belts with a silver buckle take your eye out. He is really a creation, you might say. Young guy, too. Seventeen. Maybe eighteen.

Like I say, he is just no good at all at slalom and I am wondering what the dickens he is doing there all alone, 'stead of on the main slope using the tow and with his chums. Then he gets out of control and is slithering over into my class. Hits one pupil, not hard, you understand, but hard enough they both go down.

He is sorry.

"Sorry," he says.

"What the dickens are you doing?" I say.

He says: "Oh, I am just practicing for the big race."

This stops me. Cold. What a thing to say. Is he nuts, I think?

Matter of fact there is a race coming up, but not a big one and what is more this guy cannot go in it even if it is for midgets. Which it isn't. It is one of these inter-club things. No big-shots. Just for fun. Have them a lot up here. He must be looney, I am thinking.

By this time he has got himself wheeled around and is heading back to his private little slalom course again. Sliding and sloshing. Even on the level. Like a horse on ice, every which way with his feet. Terrible.

Well, I try to concentrate on my class which by this time is a little mixed up and I am having more than average trouble with two bundled-up girls always tripping. I look over at this slalom-guy once or twice and he is mosing around his poles and mumbling to himself. To himself, you understand. But he has a big happy grin on his face like he is eating lemon pie.

I just do not know what to make of it.

Then, all of a sudden, it happens again. Here he comes! Out of control something awful and his ski-poles waving around over his head. He is bearing down on my class, which is having a tough day. There is a clatter and he is on his face. In front of me where I am trying to do a snow-plow for the class.

"Sorry," he says.

That does it.

"Look," I say, "it's true, eh, what you say? You are going in this race tomorrow?"

He is getting to his feet very clumsy and he looks up at me now and he says, "Oh, no. Not in it."

"Then what are you trying to prove with the slalom poles?" I ask him. "You are getting in my hair, even if I do say so." I let him have it, like that.

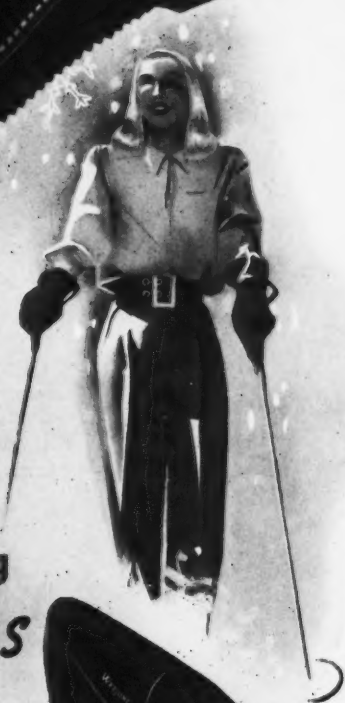
He says, "Well, I have been chosen to watch one of the gates tomorrow in the big race. My club from White Plains is entered in the race and I am an official gatekeeper. I figure I better see what it is all about so when there are penalties." He looks kind of sheepish. He knows enough to look sheepish. I have to hand him that.

But penalties! What a guy. I tell him he better go some place else to find out about penalties but I am not really sore at him. He is having such a whale of a time there with nobody to bother him and being a big-shot. A racer.

Like a kid with a bow-and-arrow, that guy with his slalom course. But, like I say, you meet some funny ones. They sometimes can have a good time on skis just pretending make-believe. Like kids.

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